

Were The Denmark Flag Stamps Printed From More Than Two Plates?

by James C. Heartwell
This question arises after a thorough study of the various flag stamps and is being asked through Linn's because of the enormous amount of interest shown by its readers in the twelve flag stamps. It is possible that others who have studied these stamps may have noticed the differences in the Denmark sheets as I list them below.

It is common knowledge that the Poland stamps may be found from the left and right plates in both top and bottom positions, for a total of four different plates. These I have plated and they are easily identified. All others exist in both left and right sheets with Czechoslovakia, Luxembourg, Belgium, Greece and Albania being printed with the top arrow and Norway, Netherlands, France, Yugoslavia and Austria with the bottom arrow. The Denmark sheets are all found with the top arrow.

To be certain that all the sheets studied would not be from one section of printing, I received five separate orders from the Philatelic Agency in Washington over a five month period and then made additional purchases from five dealers in different sections of the country. This gave me a mixture of sheets in which four were alike and tabbed "A", nine others alike and tabbed "B" and the final four alike and tabbed "C".

The result of my study makes me ask, what is the answer? Was one plate removed and replaced with a third one for some reason? used, as in the case of Poland, and were there actually four plates for some reason all were top arrow plates? Or were there only two plates used, with one of them being cleaned and, after being put in use again showing different markings?

Whatever the solution is, I would be interested in reading the findings of some others who may know the answer. The following in the result of a "speck hunt" which showed that no variety on one sheet was to be found on the other two Denmark sheets: Sheet "A"

2. red dot lmm. at left of flag pole near bottom.
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The meeting is at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Mark C. Emsley, 14428 Birchwood Rd., Cleveland. Air Mail Collectors are welcome to attend the meetings. Meeting: Sept. 29th, 8:30 P. M.

Stampless Covers From Latin American Points

Two unusual covers have come to the office of the Weekly in the past ten days. Both were registered covers, one from Guatemala, the other from Bolivia. The first from the Guatemala Philatelic Society which seems in some manner to have official connections, the latter cover from a private individual in Bolivia. Both covers came through by registered mail without the sign of a postage stamp on either of them and without any markings of any nature indicating prepayment of postage.

Both covers were opened and sealed by the censor and in the cover from Bolivia in which the letter is dated July 14th, there were enclosed a number of various unused stamps from various South American countries which were tendered as a remittance for a subscription to the paper and for classified advertising.

It is therefore evident that stamps are permitted to pass under certain circumstances.

Use Of Seebecks An Old Spanish Custom

In spite of the cover illustrated in last week's LINN'S, the Seebecks are not coming back. A few years ago, when I was in Boston, packages came to me from Ecuador, all stamped with a few of the current stamps and usually a flock of the 5 sucre Seebeck reprints.

The answer is simple. The packages come from dealers who slap the reprints on the packages and present them to inexperienced clerks who accept them as being all right. Since a sucre saved or the government defrauded of the amount is considered not exactly dishonest it will probably continue to happen. I also remember a request from a Mexican dealer, now deceased, for the 5 peso, No. 514, mint at half cat., which at the time made it 10c a peso. Maybe you would have been surprised to see the same 5 peso stamps come back on covers a few weeks later, but I wasn't. IT'S AN OLD SPANISH CUSTOM.

—Arthur King Clark

"ON THE HOUSE" NOVEL FREE MAIL MARKING

Thanks to J. F. McGee of Omaha, Nebraska your editor has added another novel cover to his already large collection of "FREE" marked covers of this war. This phase of cover collecting is quite limited yet offers much of interest.

A cover at hand instead of bearing the word "Free" is inscribed "On The House", a slang expression which his well known wherever good fellows get together. In this instance, indicative of the postage necessary for the letter, being on Uncle Sam.

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Some unusual collections will be exhibited at STAMPEX, the National stamp exhibition which is to be held at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark, N. J. on October 13 to 15th next under the auspices of the Essex Stamp Club of Newark, N. J. Among the exhibits which have already entered, including several of the "seldom seen" variety, are:

Edward Stern, New York, Presidential Franks; H. L. Lindquist, New York, War Savings Stamps; H. M. Clark, New York, Civil War Patriotic Covers; Jere Hesse Barr, Reading, Pa., Early United States; Leonard Hanauer, Newark, N. J., Famous Americans; Alex Watts, New York, Jamaica; D. A. Somdal, Shreveport, La., Mississippi Packet Markings; Rev. Wm. H. Tower, Monclair, N. J., Early English Postal History; Charles Hahn, Winnetka, Ill., The Penny Black; Solomon Altmann, New York, U. S. Proofs and Essays; Jack Brenner, Atlantic City, Ecuador; Mrs. Louise B. Davis, New York, Air Mail; W. A. Fishel, Boonsboro, Md., Civil War Panorama; Rudolph Nouy, E Pittsburgh, Czechoslovakia; Albert Schwartz, II, Margate City, N. J., Orange Free States; James Starr, Germantown, Pa., China; Clarkson Stevens Catonville, Md., Tibet.

Already entered in the special confederate section for which Mr. Van Dyk MacBride, chairman of the Stampex Committee, will donate a special trophy, are:

August Dietz, Richmond, Va.; Frederick J. Grant, Los Angeles, Calif.; Michael Miller, Baltimore, Md.; Charles F. Gehrmann, Bloomfield, N. J.; Earl Antrim, Nampa, Idaho; George N. Malpass, E. Rochester, N. Y.; J. W. Jones, Chicago, Illinois

The above is by no means a complete list either of those who have already entered exhibits, or of all the exhibits which will be entered. The official prospectus and entry blank is in preparation, but is not expected to be mailed until after September 1st, and shortly thereafter a further and more complete listing will be made available. Information on exhibits, and also on bourse tables and other matters can be had by writing to the STAMPEX COMMITTEE, 984 Broad Street, Newark 2, New Jersey.

Do You Favor Issuing A Red Cross Stamp?

James Waldo Fawcett of Washington, D. C., prints in his column a request that any stamp collectors who favor issuing a stamp to honor the Red Cross, should address a letter of approval to Postmaster Frank C. Walker, Washington, D. C., at once.

Certainly there is no body, associated with our war work that is more deserving of this support than the Red Cross and while many of our Latin American Neighbors have already issued such stamps, our country, the most active in Red Cross work, has failed to act.

Airmail Envelope Shortage Evident

From all parts of the country comes reports of a shortage of regular air mail envelopes and numerous specimens prepared for sale as airmail envelopes at post-offices are coming to our office. This is accomplished by using the regular 2c envelopes, which are now almost useless in many offices and adding a 4c stamp alongside the envelope stamp or a 6c stamp to make the 8c rate. While these will be interesting souvenirs of this period of shortage, the covers will hardly command any recognition in future catalogues.

John Stanard sends us one on which the postmaster has signed a note to the effect that the envelope was prepared and sold as an air mail envelope.

Origin And Growth Of Our Air Mail Service As Told By Postmaster General Honorable Frank Walker

A Radio Broadcast before the Junior Chamber of Commerce at San Francisco, September 8th.

It has been said that the true history of America is the history of transportation—that the names of leaders of transport are as significant as those of presidents of the United States.

If that be true, this magical city, which symbolizes romance even to those Americans whose eyes have never looked upon it, has witnessed a great share of American history. It remembers that the conquistadors made their phenomenal progress, not because the men whom they fought were less brave, but because the Spaniard rode and fought upon a horse. His adversary—looking with awe upon

beasts of burden for the first time—thought that in the armored warrior mounted on his armored horse he confronted a single, terrible animal. San Francisco remembers the days of ox carts and covered wagons, and how your city at the Golden Gate experienced its rapid development because men willingly faced the discomfort and the tedium of the passage around Cape Horn rather than undergo the hardships and the terrors of the journey across the continent. Your fathers and grandfathers saw the coming of the transcontinental railroads. You yourselves have witnessed the beginning and swift development of our great airway system.

The past and future are in our minds today as we commemorate the 24th anniversary of the completion of the transcontinental air mail route and the beginning of the 25th year of successful operation. Air mail has an unusual importance to San Francisco. Your unique geographical location, with your far-distant Pacific Coast cities tied to you by natural trade affinities—your status as the western terminus of the transcontinental route and the eastern terminus of the trans-Pacific route—all these combine to make air mail and San Francisco natural and intimate commercial allies.

In the development that seems destined to come about in our own time in Asia—with the vast possibilities of an awakening China—who will place a limit upon the growth of commerce which San Francisco will know? And thus it is appropriate that San Franciscans—old enough to be concerned for the future and young enough to be the leading participants in the future—should have inspired this fine gathering. In 1910—seven years after Orville Wright made the first airplane flight in 1903—Representative Sheppard of Texas sought consideration for a bill "for an investigation to determine the practicability and cost of an airplane or airship mail route."

How often must Morris Sheppard have thought of that legislation in the closing years of his life, when as Chairman of the Senate Military Affairs Committee, it became his duty to sponsor measures authorizing the use of airplanes by the Army in numbers undreamed of in 1910—or 1920—or even in 1939.

Early in 1912, as a result of successful experiments sponsored by the Post Office Department, the Postmaster General recommended that \$50,000 be appropriated to start an experimental route. From year to year the Department requested appropriations, and in 1916 funds for airplane service

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From several sources we have a full page clipped from one of the large national magazines, an advertisement of Ipana Tooth Paste. This particular advertisement pictures a handsome young chap who appears to be seriously interested in a stamp collection which is on the table before him, a typical American boy of the type that makes our future collectors. We wonder as we gaze at this picture if the stamp dealers of America who are responsible for stamp sales to boys of this type will not study the picture and be enough impressed by the serious look on the face of this lad, to resolve to try to do a bit better by him in helping him with his collection and thus help hold his respect and interest. This is a very serious problem, one that can do much to retard or develop future philatelists.

The advertisement is headed, "A Boy Finds in Stamps the Magic of Seven-League Boots. His Thoughts Stride Continents and Touch Tomorrow's Shores". Look it up in a recent magazine and study and ponder this picture.

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Origin And Growth Of Air Mail Service

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were made available from the appropriation for "steamboat or other power boat service." In that war year, as in this war year, there was difficulty in procuring planes. The Department advertised for an air mail route in Massachusetts and for several in Alaska, but no bids were received. Nevertheless the Department continued negotiations with airplane manufacturers, as the World War

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spurred interest in aviation. Finally, in 1917, by way of an amendment to a House Appropriations Bill by the farsighted Senator Kenneth McKellar, who was then a member and who is now Chairman of the Senate Committee on Post Offices and Post Roads, Congress appropriated \$100,000 for establishment of first experimental air rail route. Line was put in service on May 15, 1918 between New York and Washington, a distance of 218 miles. There was 1 round trip daily except Sunday. The War Department conducted the flying and maintenance operations. The Post Office Department handled the mails. The cooperation of the War Department was continued until August 12, 1918 when the Post Office Department took over the entire operation of the route, furnishing its own equipment and personnel.

Consider the situation which prevailed in those days. Here was an infant industry to which potential capital feared to entrust itself as did potential passengers. The Post Office Department, however, was an agency owned by all the people of America—the most widespread and all-pervasive agency in the land—an agency seeking the speediest form of transportation, and, fortunately, one which was ready, willing and able to try the new device to see whether it could fulfill the promise of conquering time and distance. I think that what our fellow Americans accomplished in those early years deserves our gratitude. These men were pioneers who wrote a chapter in our history and in the history of human progress which commands our admiration.

With the success of that first route connecting the nation's capital with its largest city, they dared to dream of an airline flung to the west—west to Cleveland—west to Chicago—and some day, they hoped, even as far west as San Francisco. They dreamed of a new mode of transportation for an enterprise of infinitely great importance to the American people—the carriage of the mails.

Again and again Senator Kenneth McKellar was a champion of the air mail service. He fought for the appropriation to continue the first experimental route—he fought for the extension of air mail to Cleveland and Chicago—and finally, over bitter opposition, it was this confident air mail enthusiast who introduced the amendment which provided funds "for the purchase of such aeroplanes as may be necessary to establish, operate and maintain aeroplanes and aeroplane mail service between New York and San Francisco."

Despite obstacles, the work went rapidly forward—so rapidly, in fact, that in less than 28 months after that first experimental air mail route was inaugurated the epochal westbound trip which we commemorate today—the last section of the transcontinental route, from Omaha to San Francisco—was accomplished. The Post Office historian noted with pride that this trip was flown at the rate of 80 miles an hour, without a forced landing for either weather or mechanical trouble, and that the plane carried 16,000 letters which arrived in San Francisco 22 hours ahead of the best possible time by train.

The United States Army now has 75,000 airplanes, of which 34,000 are combat planes, flying day and night. Let us picture, if we can, from the vantage point of 1944, a year in which the marvels of radio communication are regarded as commonplace, the daring that lay behind the decision to institute night flying. The Post Office Department recognized that if the transcontinental line could be operated on a through schedule with planes flying both night and day, a wonderful advance would be made. Plans were carefully made which envisioned a flight by night between Cheyenne and Chicago.

A plane left San Francisco at 4:30 in the morning of Washington's birthday in 1921. Just before 8 o'clock that night Pilot Frank Yager completed his section

of the flight at the North Platte, Nebraska, airport. There Jack Knight awaited him to relay the mail through to Omaha, where the world's first night air mail flight was to begin. Without radio or modern navigation instruments of any kind, Knight took off at 11 o'clock, pointing his plane toward Omaha. Another relay pilot and plane were to have taken over at Omaha but because of reports of adverse weather, the carefully prepared plans had been disrupted. No relief pilot was present to carry on.

Knight was unfamiliar with the route between Omaha and Chicago. He studied the map and flew east from Omaha at 2 o'clock in the morning. A driving snowstorm prevented his landing at Des Moines. Over Iowa City, with a supply of gasoline for only 10 minutes more in the air, Knight could not locate the airport. The ground crew, certain that bad weather had halted the flight, had gone home.

The watchman, hearing a plane overhead, lighted a red flare in the center of the field. Knight saw the flare through the snow and made his landing. He refueled, with the aid of the watchman, and continued the daring flight on through a dense Missouri Valley fog until he landed at Chicago at 8:40 o'clock in the morning. There the mail was taken on east and the flight was completed to New York. The total elapsed time for the trip, including all stops, was 33 hours and 20 minutes. The actual flying time was 25 hours and 16 minutes, with an average speed of 104 miles an hour over the entire distance of 2,629 miles.

The triumph of the flight in the face of such difficulties was persuasive evidence that the Post Office Department's air mail service, with night flying as an essential part, had come to stay.

Rapidly, radio stations were established at fields and weather information was made available, and a system of beacon lights soon was put into operation. But all of the mechanical progress may be summarized in the apt statement which has been made that aviation radio, modern meteorology, and the finest operating techniques all sprang from the original determination that the mail must go through.

Neither the Congress nor the Post Office Department has ever intended that the Department would operate the airmail service longer than was necessary to demonstrate its practicability. Several contract airline routes were put in operation in 1926 and by August 31, 1927, the entire air mail service was turned over to contractors and the Department was able to withdraw completely from the field.

A survey of the progress that has been made challenges the imagination. In 1918, over the 218 mile New York-Washington route, 16,009 airplane miles were flown and approximately nine tons of mail were carried. In 1926, the last full year of post office operation, 2,256,137 miles were flown over routes that had expanded to 3,597 miles. By fiscal year 1944 there were just under 50,000 miles of routes over which almost 107 million scheduled miles of mail service were flown, carrying 31,000 tons of mail. On the first transcontinental flight there were 16,000 letters carried to San Francisco. On this 24th anniversary we are delivering more than two million letters a day to the Pacific Coast by air mail.

In terms of dollars and cents, the figures are just as remarkable. In the nine years of government operation, the cost of air mail was \$17,411,534. Since 1926, \$270,923,221 were paid to private carriers of domestic air mail and \$122,402,162 to the carriers of foreign

air mail. Thus air mail has meant an expenditure of \$410,736,917. In the last fiscal year more than a billion and a half pieces of air mail were carried, from which the revenue was an estimated 103 million dollars. In the face of these figures, the Postmaster General's request for \$50,000 for an experimental service appears indeed to have been a modest one across the vista of 32 years.

The growth of foreign air mail has been no less amazing than the domestic service. Beginning with the route established between Key West and Havana in 1927, and going on through 1935 when service was inaugurated from San Francisco across the Pacific by way of Hawaii, Midway, Wake and Guam to Manila, foreign air mail has gone on to an extraordinary development. The war tended to accelerate that development and on the day before the Japanese bombs fell on Pearl Harbor service was inaugurated from Miami to Leopoldville in the Belgian Congo. Thus since 1928, when 99,530 miles were flown, the foreign air mail service has expanded to 19,500,000 miles flown in the fiscal year which ended last June 30—slightly more than 53,000 miles per day, and more miles in two days than were flown in the entire fiscal year 1928.

Due to the war, the schedules of foreign air mail routes are not published but it may be stated that the frequency of service to most destinations is better than at any time in the history of the foreign air mail service. This applies particularly to service to countries in Central and South America and the West Indies, which now operates with a much greater frequency than was the case at the beginning of the war.

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This route will be from Jacksonville, Fla., via Savannah, Ga.; Charleston, S. Car.; Wilmington, N. Car.; Norfolk, Vir.; and Philadelphia, Penna.; into New York City. Service to Philadelphia will be deferred due to insufficient airport facilities there, and I also understand that service to Savannah, Wilmington, and Norfolk, will also be deferred for a very short time. However, this is only a rumor which I have heard and as yet, I have not confirmed it. Therefore, in sending out your covers, I would advise you to cover all points (except Philadelphia).

Two weeks ago, in the August 31st issue, Mr. Linn devoted a large amount of space to that new book "Man's Fight To Fly" by John P. V. Heilmuller. I just want to add a few comments on this remarkable masterpiece.

For the first time in history, it is possible for collectors to actually see illustrations of rare covers which were only mentioned briefly in catalogues. Now, for the first time, you can see rare autographed covers, unknown cachets, and scarce covers of which only one or two exist. Not only that, but you will actually get the real stories behind many of these historical events. This is the greatest book I have ever read on Aviation and it is safe to say that it will have a permanent place in the archives of aero-philately. "MAN'S FIGHT TO FLY" is a must for every airmail cover collector.

Mr. G. F. Lancaster, Past-President and Secretary of the "Metropolitan Airmail Cover Club" says "This book is the answer to a collector's prayer. It is something that the hobby has needed for a long time, and Mr. Heilmuller is well qualified to write about these many flights since he had the advantage of knowing intimately nearly all of the prominent pioneers who have paved the way to the present day of flying. It is a pleasure to see these rare covers, even if they are only photographs."

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Thanks for news, covers, and clippings, to F. Blandford, Jr.; F. E. Howe, G. F. Lancaster, E. Loeb, J. Siegel, G. S. Chapman, and numerous other readers who were generous in sending me items for this column.

Christmas Seals To Be Feature Of C. P. S. Show

For the first time in Chicago history a complete exhibit of the National Red Cross and Tuberculosis Christmas seals will be shown at the Chicago Philatelic Societies 1944 show.

Through the courtesy of Miss Bessie Haut of Chicago there will be ten standard frames of seals, starting with the first, issued in 1907. These will include both minor and major varieties which will be well illustrated and described, and many of the rarer items will also be included.

The exhibit will be held at the LaSalle Hotel in the Grand Ballroom on October 20, 21 and 22.

WERE MORE THAN TWO PLATES USED

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5. red dot under black horizontal line on bottom of flag above "N" in script.
6. in right bar of white cross, very black dot in middle row of vertical shading.
7. in lower right red field, black spot near bottom towards right.
8. same as #7.
9. same as #7 and #8.
10. red dot in top right side of upper section of white cross (often found, but not constant).
11. in upper right red field, black dot at left of second vertical row of shading from right.
12. red dot between "NM" of script.
13. black dot on right side of flag pole near top.
14. black dot on left side of flag pole near top.
15. black dot on left side of upper section of white cross.
16. black dash protruding to right from black vertical shading row just above "K" in script.
17. in upper right red field, black dot between two vertical rows at right.
18. dot in lower right corner of lower left red field.
19. in lower left red field, third row of shading incomplete.
20. black dot under flag, above "Dc" of script.
21. red dot between "M" and "A" of script.
22. red dot on top of flag at right of white cross bar.
23. red dot on top of flag at left of white cross bar.
24. same as #29.
25. same as #29 and #30.
26. black dot between pole and flag at left of white cross bar.
27. red dot in lower part of flag pole and black dot on top of flag in upper red field.
28. black dash between pole and flag at left of white cross bar.
29. top right side of "N" in script topped by red dot.
30. black dash above right red field.
31. red dot between "D" and "E" of script.
32. red dot above "E" in script.
33. black dot above upper right red field.
34. red dot between flag and pole towards bottom.
35. red dot on lower left part of "K" in script.
36. red dot below flag and above "EN" of script.
37. red dot near center of white cross and red dash on bottom of flag at right of white cross bar.
38. two red dots on top of flag, one at each side of white cross bar.

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We have since kept the cover in our desk and have shown it on numerous occasions and have as often gazed at it ourselves and wondered how such a variety might occur. Only this week, on Labor Day to be exact, we had a visitor from Cleveland, none other than Larry Shoemaker, a stamp man of high repute and Larry too was fooled, for we showed him the cover which he looked at for some minutes and discussed with us. We spoke the of supposed variety and stated that we had not noticed whether both impressions of stamp showed embossing or whether the embossing showed on only one of the imprints, for we wondered if both stamps would show embossing. Larry held it to the light, glanced across the face of the stamps and stated that embossing did show on both stamps.

Since then we again examined the cover and glanced at it ourselves to see if the embossing was on both stamps and that glance was sufficient to show us a slight difference in the looks of the two imprints which caused us to take a glass and examine closer and thus we found the hoax. The stamp impression at the left is perfectly trimmed out of another envelope and mounted on the cover alongside the original stamp. The trimming and mounting are so perfectly done that it is only apparent on very close scrutiny. Indeed a remarkable job done by Wm. W. Summers, a Marine in the South Pacific who must have got a big kick out of preparing this unusual piece. Now that you know how it is done you might want one for yourself.

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HELPING THE YOUNGER COLLECTORS

A letter of several pages comes from Mr. H. R. Schick of Lancaster, Pa., with a plea that more attention be paid to the young collector. Mr. Schick presents many arguments, some of which we consider sound and others of no value.

He first makes a plea for less stress on condition and high value of stamps. He points out that with the present stress laid on condition as exemplified by auction catalogue descriptions, that the youngsters get discouraged almost as soon as they get started. We can not wholly agree with the views as expressed in this letter and with the full knowledge that when one gives advice they are running up against many others who will not wholly agree with that advice, I am going to make a few remarks that should be of interest to the young collector as well as to the older ones. Last week we printed a front page story by Mr. Arthur King Clark, a Pittsburgh, Pa., stamp dealer. This article was taken from literature which Mr. Clark sends to prospective customers and as a whole is filled with sound and sensible advice for young and old. The worst thing about giving advice to any stamp collector is the fact that they will reply by telling you that they collect as they please and, regardless of whether they tell you that or not, that is just about how most of them collect.

It is a fact, however, that the information in the article by Mr. Clark is filled with sound advice which if followed will result in much more satisfaction for the collector than if he goes at it in a haphazard manner.

As to condition explanations given in Auction catalogues, such are necessary, for stamp values after all, are based on the quality of the stamps, as they should be. The same rule applies to almost any commodity or necessity that one might buy. If you were looking for a particular book, the final price you would be content to pay would depend on the condition of the book, its binding, whether pages were clean or soiled, dog eared or in good shape. If an automobile is offered for sale, you want to know all about its condition before buying.

Condition descriptions for stamps as offered in auctions are applicable mostly to stamps of higher value. You can look at any stamp dealers price list of the ordinary run of stamps which retail at under one dollar and you seldom find any statement concerning condition other than that they are in "Good Condition." To us, Good Condition means that the stamps are not too heavily canceled and that as to centering, the perforations do not cut into the design and that the stamp is fairly well centered. The stamp is also whole and not torn or otherwise damaged. Any collection built on such lines is a satisfactory collection for anyone and most collections of stamps of lower value will fit just that description. Stamps of this description are the stamps on which catalogue valuations are based.

When a collector enters a dealers shop and insists in pawing through a stock book to pick the one out of the twenty copies that is the most perfectly centered and lightly canceled, the dealer is thoroughly justified in charging that man a premium price for the stamp.

Do not be too overexacting in your demands for condition, if you do you should expect to be very unhappy right along as you will have difficulty in filling in some spaces and you will be charged the top price for the extra time and trouble that the dealer must give in attending to your wants.

Only in the case of buying high priced stamps will you run into much trouble in the condition field. It is well recognized that superb copies command high prices and that is as it should be but few dealers ever attempt to classify cheap stamps as to condition and if you buy from their approvals you will find the stamps are usually priced without regard to whether they are just good copies or the very finest centered copies, when it comes to stamps of lower value.

In fact, about the only classification of lower priced stamps that a dealer attempts to make is to offer stamps that are fit to sell and to discard into his scrap or mixture box those copies which are in any way defective.

A MISSING PERIOD

In our review of the new book by the Billings Stamp Company in a recent issue, the price was quoted as \$350. Just a case of leaving out a period as the price should have been quoted at \$3.50.

GIN RUMMY LESSONS

Our columnist, Mr. Lawrence W. Case, spent a day in Sidney last week and we had a splendid chat about stamps, stamp collectors and stamp dealers in general. After we had covered the field in those lines, Mr. Case, proud of his prowess as a Gin Rummy player, suggested three games for the championship of Linn's Weekly Stamp News.

We accommodated him by letting him take the first game as a bit of encouragement, but sailed right in and took the second game and then came so fast on the third game that on the last hand he threw up his hand in Unconditional Surrender.

Doubtless he will demand a return match, next time he comes to Sidney.

A. E. F. MAIL COLLECTION

At the September 22 meeting of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, held in the Hollenden Hotel, Hennis M. Sanford, authority on A. E. F. mail, will exhibit his newest collection, a

philatelic history of the 37th Division from the time it left Cleveland during the first World War until its return. Mr. Sanford believes this is the first time such a military unit's activities have been portrayed in a philatelic manner.



The origin of the material used for the central design of the 3c Philippines Commemorative Stamp, to be first placed on sale September 27, 1944, at Washington, D. C., is a line drawing of Corregidor Island by Logan U. Reavis, Artist, New York City.

The designer of the stamp was William A. Roach; the engravers: Vignette by Charles A. Brooks; outline frame, lettering and numeral by Axel W. Christensen.

A printing order has been placed for 50,000,000 of these stamps.

The Philatelic Agency reports sales for the month of August, 1944, totaling \$144,512.83.

The 5c Austrian stamp, Over-run Countries Series, was removed from sale in the Philatelic Agency at the close of business August 21, 1944.

Herst To Sell Great United States Rarity

Were a philatelic balloting to take place as to which was our rarest twentieth century stamp, it's probable that the 24c air mail invert, or the 8c Blue Paper, or No. 594 would be up at the top in the final audit. Many collectors do not know that our rarest stamp in point of numbers in existence is a commemorative, the 2c Harding Memorial stamp of 1923, printed by the rotary press, and Perforated 11 instead of 10.

Less than a half dozen copies of this major rarity, which Scott lists as No. 613B are thought to be in existence. There has never been a recorded sale of one, either at auction or otherwise, so its value is problematical, with Scott leaving it unpriced.

Philatelic eyes this fall will therefore be on the November 4th auction of Herman Herst, Jr., of New York City, for this sale will include a used copy of this rare item, of which no unused copies are known. United States specialists will of course be interested in the realization.

The auction contains many other rarities, and a fine lot of errors from an 1869 invert to a fine offering of the 5c errors of 1917. It will be a most unusual sale from the standpoint of condition, but in all probability most eyes will be focused on the rare Harding stamp, the first time in history that one will have been offered and sold.

Japanese Soldiers War Postal Cards

We have already pictured in previous issues some of the special Post Cards supplied Japanese soldiers for communications to their folks at home. It appears that there are many varieties of these cards issued to these soldiers.

At present we have some information from Pfc. J. Grodzkiak somewhere in the Pacific area who has mailed us two cards, one is with the dove sitting on a helmet as was illustrated some weeks ago. The other merely has a square box frame in the upper right corner with four Japanese characters therein and a vertical row of Japanese characters at the right edge of the card below the box.

Mr. Grodzkiak states that there are about six different cards that are found, and about a dozen colors or shades. Whether this latter refers to the paper stock or the printing on the card is not stated. However he does say "the red and blue oval types are scarce and not easily found." This oval type card pictures a rider on a horse, also Japanese lettering

around the oval. The colors are red and blue and he states that he has seen but one of the blue ones.

Should any overseas readers find other types of these cards we would appreciate copies for further listing.

A New Item For The Seal Collectors

Official date concerning the "private" Christmas seal to be issued by Chattanooga, Tenn., (see news item page 8, August 31 issue) is now given LINN'S readers as an exclusive release of this publication:

The designer of the seal was L. B. Lockwood; the engraver was Leslie Barrows and the seals will be lithographed (two plates will be used consisting of four panes of 100 seals to each plate) by the Adams Lithographing Co., Chattanooga. Number of seals to be printed will be 4,500,000.

The Chattanooga Seal Committee will not accept orders from collectors for less than one sheet (100 stamps...\$1.00) and such orders should enclose a #10 stamped-addressed envelope and not sent after October 15th., as a shortage of help makes it impossible for philatelic orders to be filled during the local seal campaign. All checks (add 10c bank fee) and money orders should be made payable to Mark K. Wilson, Chairman, Pine Breeze Seal Sale Committee, and addressed to Seal Sale Committee, Love-man Building, Chattanooga, Tenn. Please mention LINN'S.

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Baltimore, Ohio

Improve Collection.

Not that any of the readers are urged to do as I do, but that what I am doing to my bureau print collection might give some one a better idea, I outline the procedure. First briefly about my collection. Bureau Prints not counting the Experimentals, Playing Cards and the 11 x 11 variety from Kansas City I have 1140 out of 1142 varieties lacking only the Liberty 1 1/2c coil and the 1 1/2c Comp. sheet stamp from Batavia,

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Ill. In the small types I am not so good lacking four out of 2018. The 1 1/2c Fort Wayne Coil, the 3c Columbia coil the 12c Richmond sheet stamp and the 50c Omaha sheet stamp. The last two it is my own negligence that I don't have them and for that matter the same goes for the other two. Getting back to facts though these stamps were all collected with the thought that they eventually would be replaced with better copies where needed or in other words were collected AS THEY CAME. Now I have arrived at the place where if ever I am going to replace some of them it is now. I have gone too long for some even now. So I am taking last years Bureau Catalog and starting with the first item I check its condition, this to give me an idea whether the copy I might be inspecting is as good, better or worse than copy in my collection. A copy that is "B" or better is not checked. About three degrees of unworthiness will be checked, (1) design very close to perfs, (2) design touches perfs, (3) perfs cut into design, checking whether top, right, bottom or left. Also checked will be items having Post marks, Perforated Initials, Tears, thin spots etc. these in addition to position of the design will give you a clear and concise record of the condition of every stamp in your collection. The old Bureau catalog makes an excellent check list for this and need not be changed every year. Any edition since 1939 could be used as they would have all the old issues prior to the Presidentials in them. In checking your stamps in the albums use a piece of solid black paper or thin cardboard just a little larger than the stamp, the size you can make to fit your fancy. Now what is your idea about this?

Some Notes.

A recent lot revealed some more facts about the NEAs of Cleveland. One was that both large and small year dates are found for the same month and come on regular stamps as well as the Special Deliveries. Not having pairs or large blocks I cannot say if both large and small year dates come on the same sheet, but it is my opinion that they do because there hardly would be need for more than one setup at a time. As usual I might be wrong. Two new values have been used too 11c and 18c Presidential in city type U-12. There were more 11c values than 18c of course.... Danville, Ill. has had a U-1 plate for a long while and I do mean that. Each lot of precancels I have received from a certain party for the past several years has had a goodly share of the lower values of Danville in it. This time there was quite a few 3c Narrow Defense Bureaus and a few 4 1/2c Presidentials in the U-120 wide type, also a 3c War Issue same type. This leaves us wonder if the U-1 plate is retired permanently or if these handstamp precancels are just fill ins till the printer gets around to the job again. And where has this wide type been all the while.

FOR CANCEL COLLECTORS

Russell E. Ballard of St. Paul, Minn., sends a cover with a cancellation that will intrigue the real cancel collector for it is an unusual one and one that will be difficult to obtain in future. The cover is posted at the State Fair Grounds in St. Paul, and has a three line cancellation, which is unique.

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At the right of the wording are four killer bars which run on to the stamp while the cancellation wording is at the left of the stamp on the white of the envelope.

WHAT'S THE STORY?

Yes, what is the lowdown on the new Allied Occupation Stamp issued for use in Italy? No one knows exactly how many complete sets have been issued. The possibility of this set suddenly taking a rise in price is entirely reasonable. It has been reported that the entire set including the 10 Lire is being withdrawn from use. Now, consider the possibilities of this issue. In the New York market the current price is \$3.00 per set. Please understand, not only do we offer the complete set of nine values for only \$2.35, but we guarantee immediate delivery. 100 fine mint sets available, no more on hand. After next shipment price will rise sharply. Whether collector, dealer or investor buy now!

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Covers should be empty without filler of any sort to facilitate printing.

Postal Authorities May Aid Philatelists

Because I have taken exception to the Post Office Department in my regular column I feel the readers of Linn's are entitled to know what progress we are making with philatelic cancellations. Following are excerpts from Third Assistant Postmaster Ramsey S. Black: "In compliance with your request there are being returned herewith four covers which accompanied recent communications to this Bureau. The balance of the envelopes have been used in directing improper cancellations to the attention of the officials concerned. . . . It may be possible to issue some instructions through the Postal Bulletin in the near future following a study of certain related aspects which is now being undertaken."

It sounds like a step in the right direction and I shall withhold any further criticism of the Bureau until Mr. Black has had a chance to make his study and take such action as he deems possible to give stamp collectors real philatelic cancellations.

—Lawrence W. Case

Picture News By Sinclair Oil Co. Features Stamps

Herschel E. Rankin of Memphis, Tenn., sends a copy of a finely printed picture news sheet which is issued by the Sinclair Oil Company and contains two full pages of illustrations from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing at Washington.

Here we see as smiling lady tasting of the stuff that the stamp gum is made from, an engraver working on the die of the 3c Railroad stamp, a lady with a paper hat checking the electric eye perforating machine, a man watching the gumming of the paper as it comes through the presses, another mixing ink, a man with huge vats of the gum that is mixed for the stamps, another engraver transferring from the transfer roll to the plates and other pictures of immense interest to the collector.

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NO BORDER AIR ENVELOPES ON SALE AT SAN FRANCISCO

From George L. Gurriagues of San Francisco, we have word that the new 6c Air Mail Envelope without the colored border were bought by him at the San Francisco postoffice on August 16th. Since this office handles such an immense amount of service mail, it is possible that these envelopes are on sale at that office.

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We believe it will pay dealers who have special lines either in stamps or supplies to carry a listing under this heading for each country or each different item that they feature.

We are sure that collectors will get the habit of checking this column for wanted countries and other items.

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1944 NEW ZEALAND HEALTH STAMPS on first day cover, issued Oct. 2nd, orders taken now, 25c each, mint or used pairs at 15c Bee & Gee 437 St. Louis St. Toledo 5, Ohio. (28)

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FAMOUS AMERICANS, COMPLETE used set 85c. Flags 55c, Presidentials, \$1.00. All three sets \$2.25. Picoard Stamp Co., 449 Peterboro, Detroit 1, Mich. (30)

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MISCELLANEOUS

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WANTED

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BOLIVIA — Commemoratives. Two values, which are part of a postage and air mail series were released in August. These stamps are to commemorate the first Anniversary of the Revolution of 12-20-43. (A bit early) The stamps are locally litho-



graph and feature an open book with a sword lying on top of it. Values, so far, are 20 centavos orange, and 90 centavos pale blue. The other values are due shortly.

BOLIVIA—Postal Tax. A single 10 centavos stamp was issued to help raise funds for retired postal employees. Color is a red orange. It is locally lithograph-



ed and pictures the back of an envelope, a posthorn, a speeding train, a radio tower, etc. There were 5 million printed.

CHILE—Air Mails. Three more values of the 1939 series have appeared in new printings. Values are 4P, 8P and 50P.

CURACAO—Semi-postals. On August 16th a special series of 8 stamps was released to help raise money for the Red Cross. A special cachet was used on all first day covers. All stamp picture the Princess Juliana and are upright. Red Cross appears

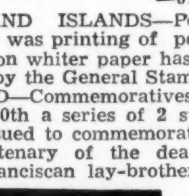


in upper left hand corner in Red. Picture of the princess appears in the center and is framed in red, white, and blue. Value appears on bottom of stamp. (see illustration) Values and colors are: 10c plus 10c light brown; 15c plus 25c blue-green; 20c plus 25c slate; 25c plus 25c gray; 30c plus 50c brown-purple; 35c plus 50c red-dish brown; 40c plus 50c green; and 50c plus 100 purple. There were 100,000 sets issued.

—J. Ross

FALKLAND ISLANDS—Postage A new was printing of postage series on whiter paper has been noted by the General Stamp Co.

IRELAND—Commemoratives. On June 30th a series of 2 stamps was issued to commemorate the Tercentenary of the death of the Franciscan lay-brother Mi-



chael O'Leary, who was regarded as one of Ireland's greatest historians. Stamps are 1/2 pence and 1sh. values. The 1/2p is a bright green and pictures O'Leary writing at a desk. (see illustration) Stamps were designed by R. J. King.

—N. Y. Sun

MEXICO—Postage. Five more values are reported with new watermark. Values are 4c (709); 5c (710); 6c (759); 5c (C65); and 10c (Q1).

SPAIN—Commemoratives. Three sets of three stamps each were issued to commemorate the millennium of Castile. Values are 20c, 40c and 75c.

—Mrs. Theresa M. Clark

RUSSIA — Commemoratives. A series of two stamps was issued honoring the Allies. Stamps are upright and picture the Flags of the United States, Russia and Great Britain. In the background are flags of other nations. The 60 kopek is



printed in slate gray, and the flags are in red, white and blue. The 3 Ruble is printed in a very dark blue, with the flags in red, white and blue. (see illustration.)

—Colonial Stamp Co.
URUGUAY—Postage. A new 50c of the Artigas type has been reported.

—Intercambio Philatelica

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Special Notice

You will remember the notice published in July regarding member #376, Pfc. Ken Miller, who wished to notify the members that his craft had been sunk on "D Day" while assaulting the Normandy coast and he had lost all his possessions including 300 covers sent him by members to be mailed from France. He was deeply regretful of the loss of the covers and offered to replace them from his own limited funds.

It has been called to my attention that mail addressed to him recently is being returned marked, "Deceased" and verified by the signature of his Captain. In view of this evidence it seems conclusive that this time, Ken truly lost everything, even his young, heroic life. He was about twenty years old, a member of the Tank Corps and he probably contributed his life to Gen. Patton's meteoric liberation of France. Members who have further information regarding Ken, kindly contact the secretary and assist in the confirmation of the above report.

Rumors have also reached us that member #124, Cpl. Albert E. Shaffer, is at present in a hospital "Somewhere Overseas." If this is true he would undoubtedly appreciate hearing from his friend's in the club. If anyone has definite information regarding him, it would be appreciated by the Secretary.

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DOWN TO THE POINT

By Lawrence W. Case

THEATRICAL PHILATELICS—“Jacobowsky and the Colonel,” the Critics Prize Play is currently being offered at the Martin Beck Theater in New York and Jacobowsky is played by Oscar Karlweis a native of Vienna and an ardent philatelist. The play relates the adventures of Jacobowsky of Vienna and his trials and tribulations in escaping the clutches of the Nazis as he jumps from Vienna to Poland to Czechoslovakia to Paris to Portugal and at last to England. The play was written by Franz Werfel who also wrote “The Song of Bernadette” and I would not be surprised that Jacobowsky was written around the adventures of Karlweis himself, whose experiences paralleled

those of the character he portrays in the Theater Guild production. Mr. Karlweis started a stamp collection for his young son in Vienna, and like many another father, became interested in collecting on his own. He specialized in the stamps of Austria, his native country, and was well on his way to having an excellent collection when the Nazis became over ambitious and his travels started. He believes his collection is safe in a chateau in France where he left it the day the Nazis entered Paris. Since coming to this country he has started a second collection of U. S. and better semi-postals of Europe.

I was interested in his reactions to American methods of collecting which he insists are far too commercial and he misses the swapping sessions that are an integral part of the European method of the hobby. It seems Europeans count the day lost when they have failed to effect a swap of some stamp for another, and in Paris they meet daily in a park from two until seven o'clock in the evening for the purpose of carrying on their hobby. One feature of Parisian stamp collecting that appealed to him was the weekly outdoor bourse where dealers and collectors assemble to buy and sell in a leisurely manner.

Mr. Karlweis believes American collectors derive greater learning from their general collections than do Europeans who specialize to a great extent. I sincerely recommend Mr. Karlweis characterization of Jacobowsky to those of you in or about New York and welcome him to the ranks of American philatelists.

to scan the ads carefully, and mention Linn's when you buy.

If you're a dealer, prepare to resume those daily treks to the bank because I predict a banner stamp season. In fact I'm very optimistic about the coming stamp season and my one admonition is that if peace comes in Europe before spring, be extremely careful about what you buy from what will flood the market. There are many spurious issues reported and more over-prints, under-prints, types of paper and errors than could be recorded in any entire issue of this paper dedicated to only such stamps.

Before the first of the year all of the Over-run Nations stamps will have disappeared from the Philatelic Agency and the prices of those stamps will boom with an accent on the used copies in better than good condition. I also predict that when the new issues start coming in from abroad the prices of U. S. stamps will settle down, and they'll be arguments about that from many quarters, but if you could sell certain U. S. issues short, such as is done in the stock market you could clean up. One of those U. S. issues that will settle down rapidly will be the Zeppes.

Join a stamp club this year and learn what fun it can be to swap stamps with interested fellow philatelists. Stamp clubs can enlarge their memberships by eliminating dry speakers and drier subjects.

Don't ask me where this came from, but a tip to you is not to junk your stamps of Japan. Instead try to complete the country because the stamps of the Yellow Rats may become extremely scarce in future years. Since none of their issues have reached these shores from Pearl Harbor on, you cannot aid the enemy by completing your collection and they may prove extremely valuable.

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